

FISCAL NOTE

SJR 48

February 21, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes to amend Article I of the Tennessee Constitution to add the following language: *Nothing in this Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or the funding thereof. The legislature shall have the sole authority to make and shall make such provisions for abortion as it determines reasonably necessary for victims of rape, incest, and to save the life of the mother.*

The foregoing amendment shall be referred to the 105th General Assembly and this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$20,000 One-Time

Assumptions:

- A one-time cost of \$20,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution.
- Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election. This publication would occur in the spring of 2006.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director